

## Arizona Department of Education

## **Research and Evaluation Section**

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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Superintendents, Charter Holders, Principals, and SAIS Coordinators

**FROM:** Dr. Robert J. Franciosi, Deputy Associate Superintendent

**DATE:** April 7, 2010

SUBJECT: On-line Applications and Displays for AZ LEARNS and AYP

**Evaluations.** 

(REF: RE10003-E)

This memo is to provide you the following information about changes to the on-line applications and displays for the preliminary AZ LEARNS and AYP evaluations to be released on June 21, 2010.

1. Because of budget cuts, preliminary AZ LEARNS and AYP evaluations will not be displayed using the common logon application used in the past. Instead preliminary evaluations and the underlying information previously displayed will be made available on spreadsheets posted on the common logon.

To introduce you to the new format, we have posted mockups of the spreadsheets on the common logon. To view the mockups, log into the common logon; enter the AZ LEARNS/Adequate Yearly Progress (NCLB) application; and scroll down to the headings "AZ LEARNS Results" and "AYP Results" to find the posted spreadsheets and accompanying guides. **Do not pay attention to the numbers!** The numbers are from preliminary calculations for previous years. The mockup spreadsheets are provided solely to help you become familiar with the format. Your comments and suggestions are welcome.

- 2. An on-line application will NOT be provided for submitting substantive appeals. Appeals of preliminary AZ LEARNS and AYP evaluations are to be submitted by email to <a href="mailto-achieve@azed.gov">achieve@azed.gov</a> during the previously announced appeals window. Please write "AYP Appeal" or "AZ LEARNS Appeal" in the subject header when you write and submit your appeal.
- 3. The "Graduation Rate Cohort Report," "Student Counts Report," "SAIS ID Corrections Application," and the testing results download will still be available for you to use.

If you have any questions, please e-mail achieve@azed.gov. Thank you.